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<b>Interview Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Applicant(s)</b>
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Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No.  
If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: Moody (6,007,066), Jones (6,336,859).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicants presented amendments to claim 1 and potential new claim 54. The examiner stated that the newly amended claim 1 and newly presented claim 54 appear to overcome the prior art of record. The prior art of record fails to teach a progressive award that includes a plurality of free plays that increase based upon wager input.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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